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| For | (Title): | COUPLING | DEVICE |
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| | 33 pages of Specification/Claims 1-19/Abstract are attached. Formal drawings (Figs. 1-12; 12 sheets) are attached. A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached. |
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| | An assignment of the invention to is attached, along with Form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00. |
| \boxtimes | An Information Disclosure Statement is attached, along with Form PTO-1449, and 5 reference(s). |
| \boxtimes | Priority of foreign application No. <u>PCT/IB02/04007</u> filed <u>September 27, 2002</u> in <u>WIPO</u> is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119. |
| | Priority of U.S. Provisional Application(s) No filed is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119(e). |
| | A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is attached. |

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| BASIC FEE | | |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 19 - 20 | = 0 |
| INDEP CLAIMS | 1 - 3 | = 0 |
| MULTIPLE | DEPENDEN | T CLAIMS |

| SMALL ENTITY | | | LARGE ENTITY | | |
|-----------------|--------|-----------|--------------|--------|--|
| RATE | FEE | <u>OR</u> | RATE | FEE | |
| | \$ 375 | <u>OR</u> | | \$ 750 | |
| x 9 = | · | <u>OR</u> | x 18 | | |
| x 42 = | | <u>OR</u> | x 84 | | |
| +140 = | | <u>OR</u> | +280 | | |
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Respectfully submitted,

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